

**In the United States Court of Federal Claims**  
**OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS**  
**No. 13-1022V**  
**(Not to be published)**

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MICHAEL DORKOSKI  
and LISA WHISPELL, parents and  
natural guardians of M.D., a minor,

Petitioners,

v.

SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND  
HUMAN SERVICES

Respondent.

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Filed: September 29, 2015

Decision on Attorney's  
Fees and Costs

**DECISION (ATTORNEY FEES AND COSTS)**

In this case under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program,<sup>1</sup> I issued an Order Concluding Proceedings, pursuant to Vaccine Rule 21(a), on August 25, 2015. On September 25, 2015, the parties filed a joint stipulation of fact concerning attorney's fees and costs in this matter. The parties' stipulation requests a total payment of \$9,535.76, representing attorney's fees and costs for work performed by the law firm of Jeffrey A. Golvash.

I find that this petition was brought in good faith and that there existed a reasonable basis for the claim. Therefore, an award for fees and costs is appropriate, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 300aa-15(b) and (e)(1), and Vaccine Rule 10(d)(3). Further, the proposed amount seems reasonable and appropriate. **Accordingly, I hereby award the total \$9,535.76 as a lump sum in the form of a check payable jointly to Petitioners and Petitioners' counsel, Jeffrey A. Golvash.**

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<sup>1</sup> The applicable statutory provisions defining the program are found at 42 U.S.C. § 300aa-10 *et seq.* (2012).

In the absence of a timely-filed motion for review filed pursuant to Appendix B of the Rules of the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, the clerk of the court shall enter judgment in accordance herewith.<sup>2</sup>

**IT IS SO ORDERED**

/s/ George L. Hastings, Jr.

George L. Hastings, Jr.  
Special Master

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<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to Vaccine Rule 11(a), the parties may expedite entry of judgment by filing a joint notice renouncing the right to seek review.